#### NASDA and NASA collaboration: OCTS global data set

OCTS
Chlorophyll
Nov 96 - Jun 97

SeaWiFS Chlorophyll Jan 98 - Dec 98

# Reprocessing of the OCTS Global Dataset a Collaborative Effort Between NASDA and the NASA SIMBIOS Project

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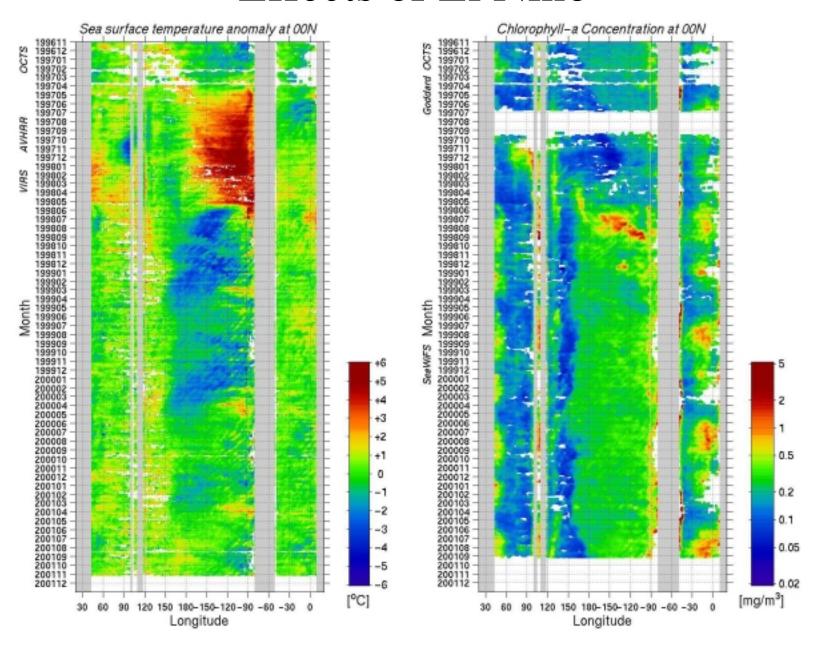
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# Purpose of Work

Evaluate and Enhance Consistency of Global Ocean Color Archive from November 1996 to Present Day.

- Minimize processing and calibration differences between OCTS and SeaWiFS.
- Simplify user interface to both datasets through common formats, common data distribution systems, and standardized software tools.
- Increase confidence in studies of El Niño transition, Kelvin/Rossby wave propagation in 1996-1998 period.

#### Effects of El Niño



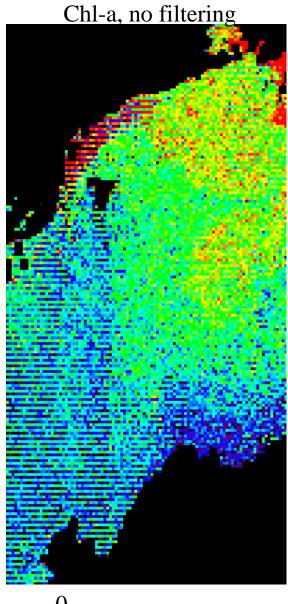
# OCTS and SeaWiFS Spectral Bands

Band	OCTS	SeaWiFS
1	412	412
2	443	443
3	490	490
4	520	510
5	565	555
6	670	670
7	765	765
8	865	865

# NASA OCTS vs NASDA V4 Processing

- Atmospheric Correction
  - aerosol selection using 765/865 rather than 670/865
- Chlorophyll Algorithm
  - modified OC4 (O'Reilly) rather than OCTS-C (Kishino)
- NASA only
  - Vicarious Calibration to MOBY (Wang, et al.)
  - Iterative correction for NIR water-leaving radiance (Siegel, et al.)
  - Filtering to reduce residual striping noise.

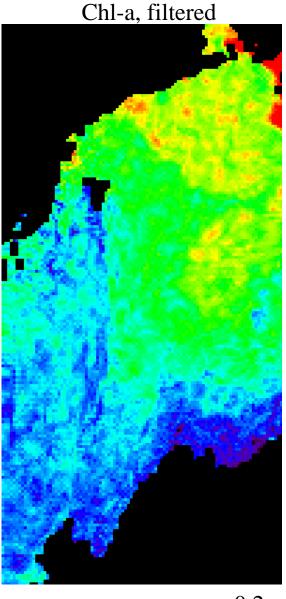
# Effect of Radiance Filtering



For each band:

$$L_t' = L_r + f(L_t - L_r)$$

f is the mean of the interquartile range applied over a sliding 5x5 diamond-shaped sampling window

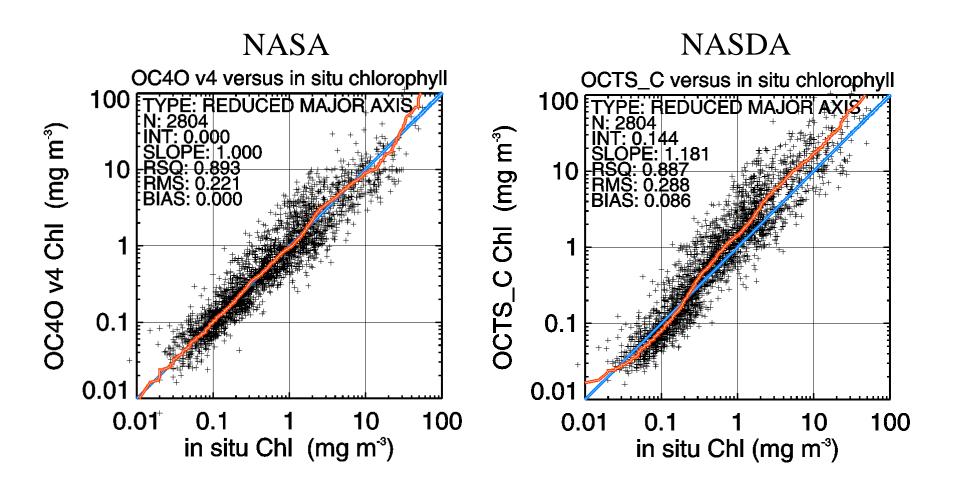


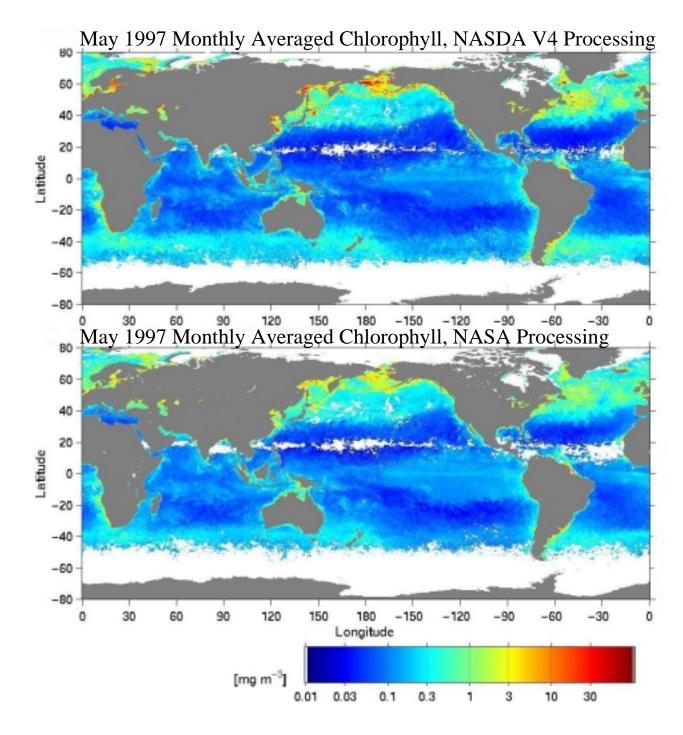
mg m<sup>-3</sup>

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### Effect of Chlorophyll Algorithm

NASA OC4O chlorophyll algorithm tuned to 2804-point *in situ* database OCTS-C of NASDA over-predicts high, under-predicts low *in situ* chlorophyll



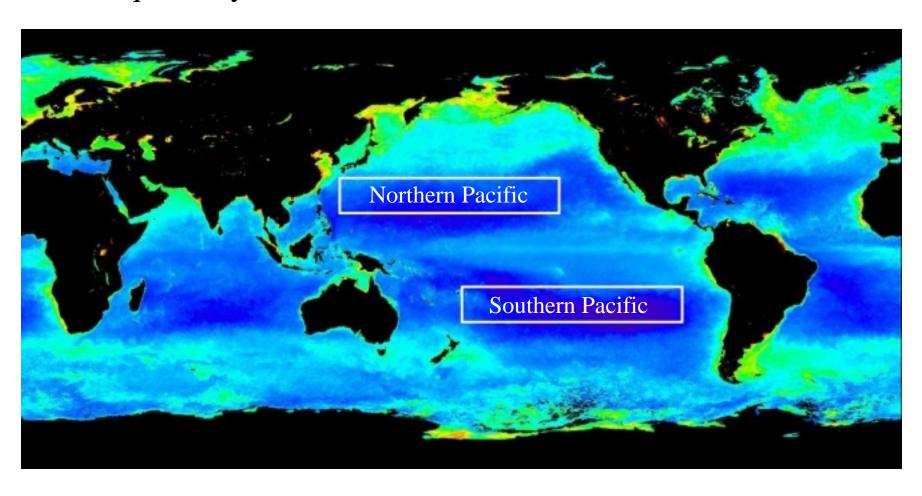


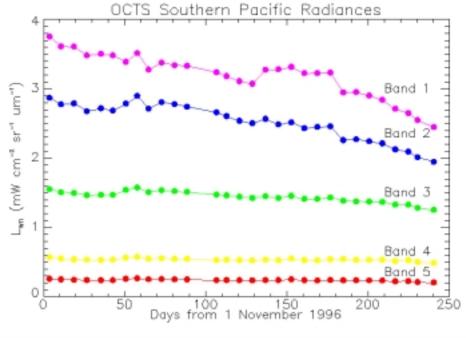
NASA OCTS global chlorophyll distribution shows good agreement with NASDA v4 results.

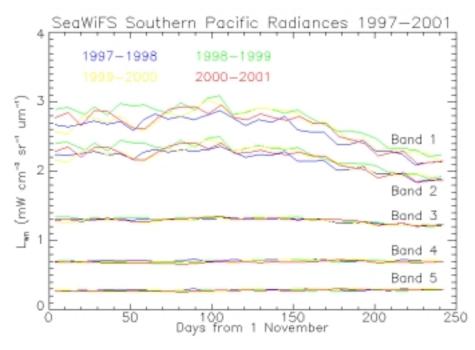
High chlorophyll reduced in coastal regions and inland waters, due to OC4O chlorophyll algorithm and corrections for non-zero water-leaving radiance in the NIR.

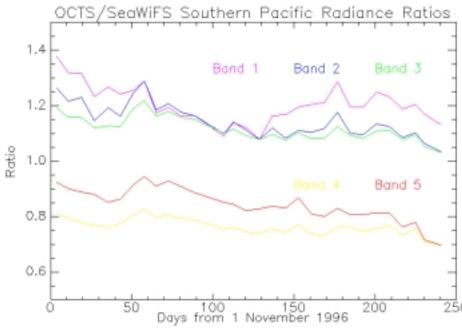
# Temporal Stability: OCTS vs SeaWiFS

comparing oceanic optical properties retrieved by OCTS to the subsequent 4-year record of colocated SeaWiFS measurements





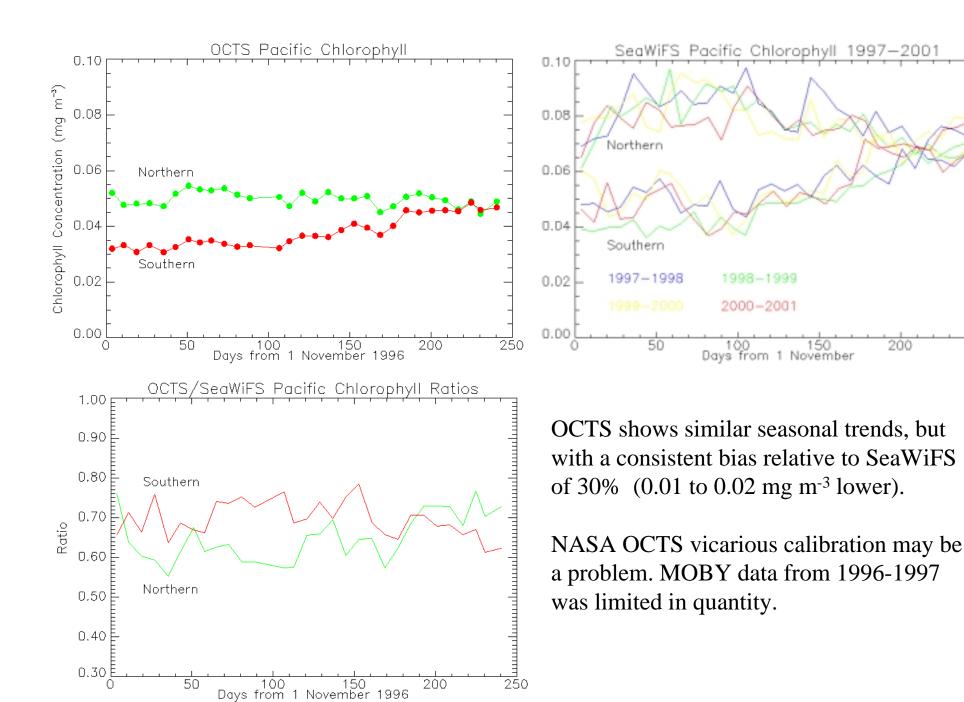




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OCTS to SeaWiFS ratio appears to be decreasing with time.



#### NASA OCTS GAC Data Distribution

#### Long-term Archive and Distribution via Goddard DAAC:

- http://daac.gsfc.nasa.gov/
- level-1A through level-3 mapped data available
- free and open access to all
- temporal/spatial search and order capabilities
- interactive browse
- level-3 parameter subsetting
- concurrent ancillary meteorlogical and ozone data

#### Additional Access via NASDA EORC, NASA SIMBIOS:

- http://www.eorc.nasda.go.jp/ADEOS/
- http://simbios.gsfc.nasa.gov/satellite\_data.html

# Summary

- A successful and rewarding collaboration has been established between NASDA and NASA to enhance the consistency between the OCTS and SeaWiFS missions.
- Processing algorithm differences have been minimized.
- Data access and use has been simplified through common data formats, software tools, and distribution systems.
- Optical properties retrieved with OCTS show reasonable agreement with SeaWiFS in the north and south Pacific regions, but differences remain.
- Relative to SeaWiFS, OCTS shows evidence of temporal change in regions where SeaWiFS shows excellent annual repeatability.

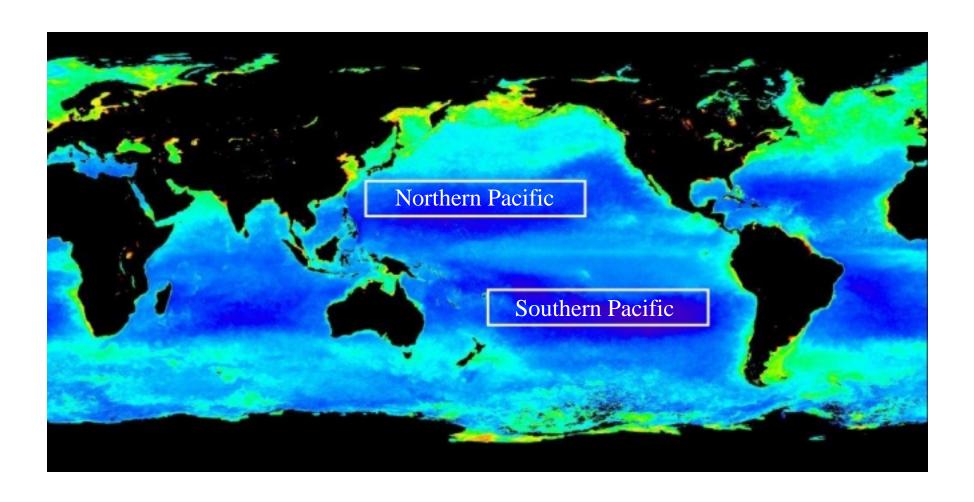
#### Future Work

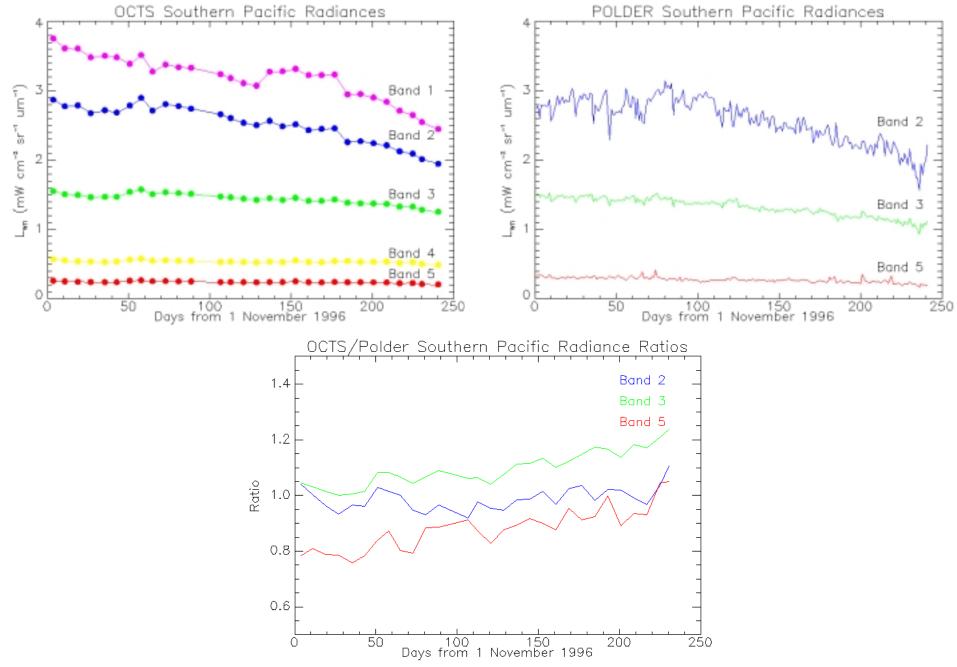
- Within the SeaWiFS processing system, the entire OCTS archive can be processed from Level-1A through Level-3 in 1-2 weeks. Future reprocessing is likely, as calibration and processing methodologies are improved.
- *In situ* data suitable for vicarious calibration of OCTS was limited. Only five usable measurements were obtained by MOBY during the OCTS lifespan (Wang, et al.).
- Consider cross-calibrating OCTS to SeaWiFS. Using seasonal trends from one or more selected regions as the calibration target, both the average vicarious gains and relative temporal gains could be derived.
- Consider using MOS as a transfer radiometer. MOS is a spaceborne ocean color sensor with limited geographic coverage which spans the lifetimes of OCTS and SeaWiFS.

# Supporting Slides

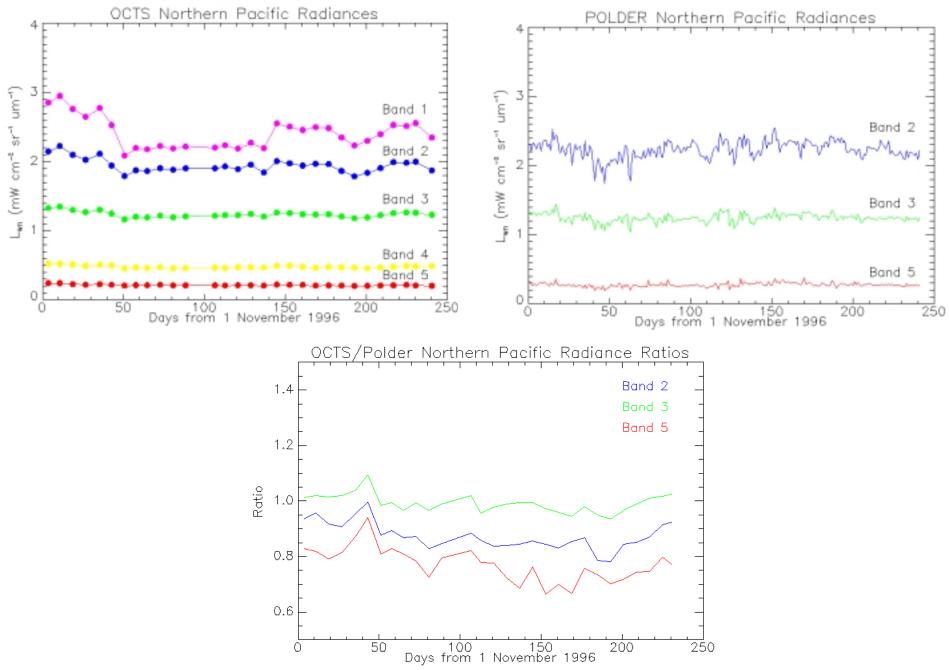
# Temporal Variability: OCTS vs POLDER

concurrent measurements from two different sensors





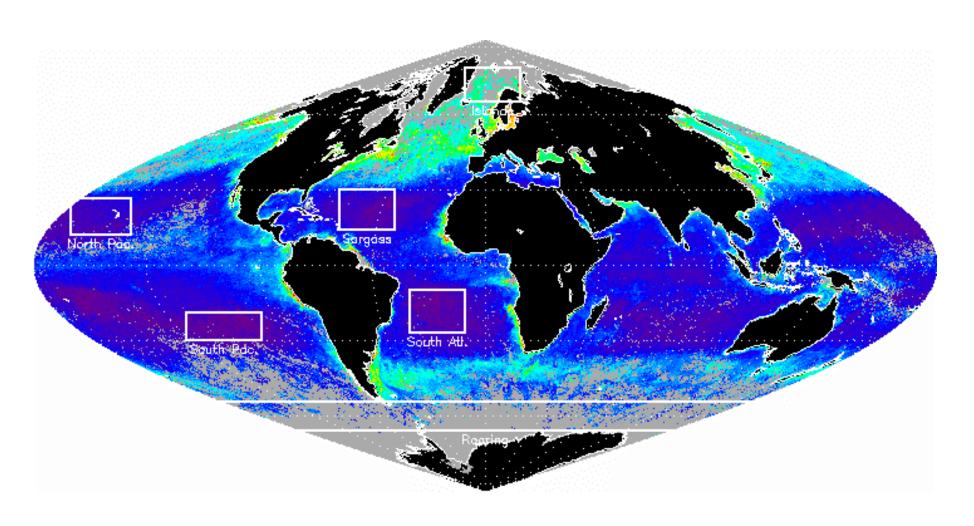
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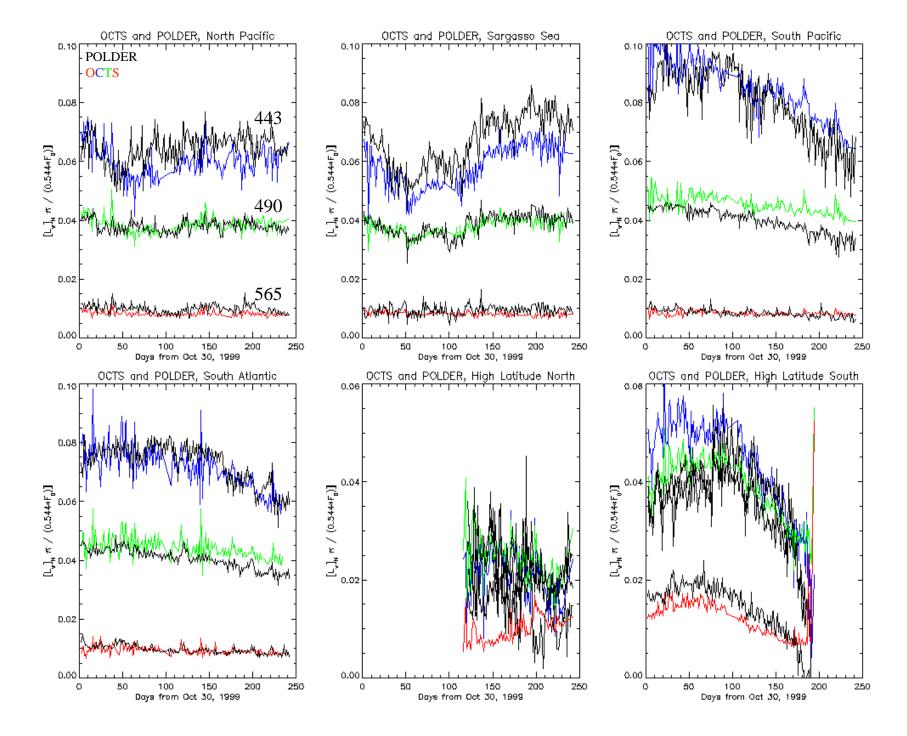


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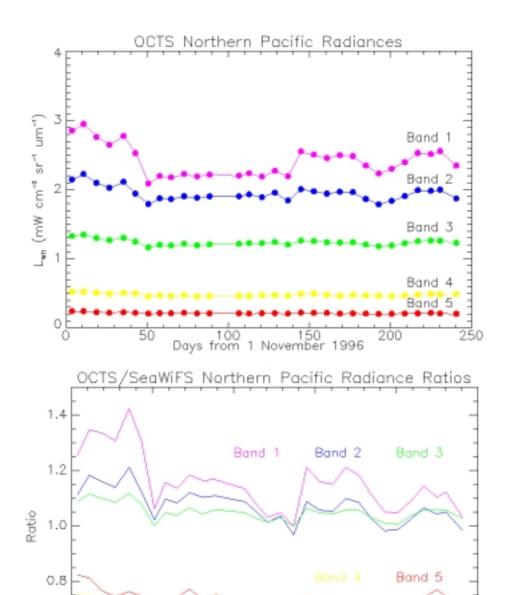
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# OCTS and SeaWiFS Sensor and Mission Characteristics

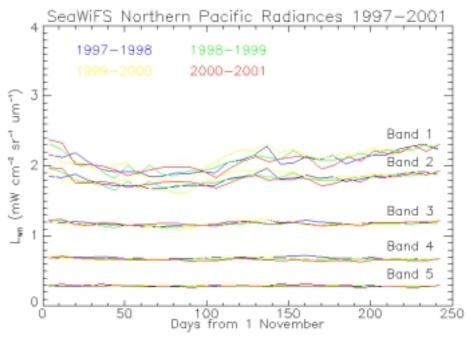
	OCTS	SeaWiFS
Start of Imaging Ops.	Oct. 31, 1996	Sep. 18, 1997
End of Imaging Ops.	Jun. 30, 1997	Operational
<b>Equator Crossing</b>	10:30 a.m.	12:00 p.m.
	Descending	Descending
Nadir Resolution (km)	0.7 LAC	1.1 LAC
	4.2 GAC	4.5 GAC
Swath Width (km)	1400	2800 LAC
		1500 GAC
Tilt Capability (deg)	+/- 20	+/- 20
Spectral Range (nm)	412 - 12,700	412 - 865
Spectral Channels	8 VIS/NIR	8 VIS/NIR
	4 IR	



100 150 Days from 1 November 1996 250

200

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